

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A method for booking access entitlement ~~for~~ to a facility that is accessible with a codable data carrier ~~(5)~~ via an access terminal ~~(8)~~ provided with a data communication device ~~(9)~~ ~~for reading and for~~ reading and coding data on the data carrier ~~(5)~~, characterized ~~in that~~ by the steps of:

determining one uses a data carrier (5) identification data that is coded within the data carrier as well as with ~~identification data which are provided visibly (6) on the data carrier (5);~~

conveying the visible identification data, ~~are conveyed~~ together with ~~the~~ access entitlement data to be booked, via a telecommunication device to the access terminal ~~(8)~~ and storing it stored there;

acknowledging arrival at the facility by identifying the data carrier ~~(5) is identified upon arrival at the facility at~~ the access terminal ~~(8)~~ with the data communication device ~~(9)~~ by comparison of the identification data coded thereon with the stored identification data; and

coding the previously booked access entitlement data ~~are~~ ~~coded on~~ onto the identified data carrier ~~(5)~~ by the data communication device ~~(9)~~.

2. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, characterized in that one uses a data carrier ~~(5)~~ with a chip, and the identification data of the data carrier ~~(5)~~ ~~are~~ is formed by a unique identifier stored in the chip and provided visibly on the data carrier ~~(5)~~.

3. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, characterized in that a contactlessly communicating data carrier~~-(5)~~ is used.

4. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim 1, characterized in that at least one server~~-(2)~~ is used which passes on the identification and booking data conveyed with the telecommunication device to the data communication device ~~+(9)~~.

5. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, characterized in that in case of a facility with a plurality of access terminals~~-(8)~~ the identification and booking data are passed on only to the data communication device~~-(9)~~ of that access terminal~~-(8)~~ of the facility which is intended for the first access to the facility.

6. (Previously Amended) The method according to claim 1, characterized in that the telecommunication devices used are mobile or stationary communication terminals.

7. (Previously Amended) The method according to claim 6, characterized in that the telecommunication devices used are the Internet, mobile phones and/or personal digital assistants.

8. (Previously Amended) The method according to claim 6, characterized in that the contactlessly communicating data carrier is part of the mobile communication terminal or its casing or a part connected therewith.

9. (Previously Amended) The method according to Claim 1, characterized in that the data carrier is integrated into a watch or has the form of a watch.

10. (New) A method for remotely booking access entitlement to a facility using a portable data carrier that is encoded with identification data as well as visibly marked with the identification data, comprising the steps of:

establishing a remote communication link with a computer server associated with the facility;

manually providing the identification data over the remote communication link to the computer server of the facility;

selecting a desired type of access entitlement and conveying the selection over the remote communication link to the computer server of the facility;

storing the provided identification data and selected access entitlement type on the computer server;

identifying a user upon arrival at the facility by electronically reading the identification data encoded on the data carrier using an access terminal that communicates with the computer server; and

retrieving the previously selected type of access entitlement associated with the provided identification data and stored in the computer server, and forwarding the selected type of access entitlement onto the access terminal; and

encoding the associated type of access entitlement onto the data carrier using the access terminal;

wherein any further authorization at the facility for the selected type of access entitlement is obtained by electronically reading the identification data and associated type of access entitlement encoded on the data carrier.

11. (New) The method according to Claim 10, wherein the remote communication link can be one of a wired telephone call, mobile telephone call, mobile data service including short message service (SMS) and mobile wireless application protocol (WAP), and Internet connection.

12. (New) The method according to Claim 10, wherein the computer server forwards the identification data and associated type of access entitlement onto only one select access terminal that is first used out of a plurality of access terminals at the facility.